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Assistant Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks BOX PCT Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to a Letter dated February 25, 1999 regarding filing the above-identified application Under 35 U.S.C. 371, this is a Petition to request the Patent and Trademark Office to treat the identification of the International Application Number PCT/US99/02670 as having been provided in the February 10, 1999 papers. Authorization is hereby given to charge the \$130.00 Petition Fee to Deposit Account 500417.

This application was originally filed as a provisional application on February 10, 1998. The one year anniversary date for filing a utility application and/or foreign filing the application expired on February 10, 1999. The application was filed as a PCT Application on February 10, 1999 designating the

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U.S. and simultaneously entered the National Phase in the U.S. on February 10, 1999 in accordance with the client's instructions. Therefore, at the time of entering the National Phase, the PCT number was not known.

We respectfully request that the February 10, 1999 papers be considered complete and that PCT No. PCT/US99/02670 be considered as being provided in a timely manner. This would insure the Applicants priority rights to be uninterrupted.

We submit herewith an Amendment to the specification identifying the PCT Application Number and entry is respectfully requested since no new matter or legal ramifications exist. See In re Fouche, 439 F.2d 1237, 169 USPQ 429 (CCPA 1971).

Respectfully submitted,

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